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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(b), Applicant brings to the attention of the Examiner the documents listed on the attached PTO-1449. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits for the above-referenced application.

A copy of each listed document is attached. Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the listed documents and evidence that consideration by making appropriate notations on the attached form.

The following are listed on the accompanying PTO-1449 and are in a language other than English.

- a. JP-UM-1978-46215: The relevance of this document can be understood from the attached International Search Report.
- b. JP-UM-1992-76486: The relevance of this document can be understood from the attached International Search Report.

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c. JP-A-2000-289376: The relevance of this document can be understood from the discussion at pages 2 and 3 of the specification of the present application, the attached International Search Report, the English language abstract, and the figures therein.

d. JP-A-2001-018571: The relevance of this document can be understood from the discussion at pages 2 and 3 of the specification of the present application, the English language abstract, and the figures therein.

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		JP-UM-1978-46215	April 19, 1978	Japan			X
		JP-UM-1992-76486	July 3, 1992	Japan			X
		JP-A-2000-289376	Oct. 17, 2000	Japan			Abstract
		JP-A-2001-018571	Jan. 23, 2001	Japan			Abstract

OTHER DOCUMENTS (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)

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